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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Shinsuke YAMASHITA, et al.

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FOR: INFORMATION PROVIDING METHOD FOR TRANSMITTING BROADCAST
SIGNALS BEING RECEIVED BY A USER

COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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SIR:

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication of allowability of the claimed invention. In response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance in the Notice of Allowability of June 16, 2008, Applicants respectfully submit the following comments:

In the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance on pages 2 and 3 of the Notice of Allowability mailed June 16, 2008, paragraph 2, states in part that:

“On the other hand, the specific application discloses the broadcast station specifying server including broadcast station specifying server storage means for storing frequency data . . . broadcast station specifying server retrieving means. . . the broadcasting station specifying server receiving means for receiving data over the network and broadcast station specifying server transmitting means for transmitting. The limitations, in conjunction, with all other limitation, has not been disclosed, suggested or made obvious over the prior art of record.” (emphasis added).

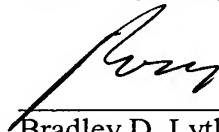
In this regard, it is respectfully submitted that independent method Claim 11 and Claims 12-14 that depend thereon recite an information method and do not recite the “broadcast station specifying server storage means”; “broadcast station specifying server retrieving means”; and/or “broadcast station specifying server transmitting means”, for

example, as may be implied and/or inferred by the Examiner's above statement. (emphasis added)

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that while the above quoted statements by the Examiner apply to independent Claims 1 and 20, and Claims 2-5 and 21-24 that depend thereon, Applicants' disagree with the Reasons for Allowance stated with respect to independent method Claim 11 and Claims 12-14 which depend thereon, which are not consistent with the language of these claims.

Respectfully Submitted,

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